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Dear Secretary,

I think it is ill advised and environmentally unsafe to transport and store nuclear waste at the proposed site of Yucca Mountain Nevada, for these reasons. 1) Yucca Mountain is earthquake prone 2) Yucca Mountain is very close to Las Vegas. 3) Transporting such waste could lead to hazards along the transportation route that would be much more devastating, than any problems incurred by storing the waste on site like we do here in Iowa. 4) Given the possibility that terrorists could lead to wide spread hazards when transporting nuclear waste by road or train.

Instead of transporting the waste the best thing to do is to store the waste on site like we do here in Iowa. And discontinuing and phasing out the use of nuclear energy. I also think it is grossly unfair to dump the nuclear waste on Nevada's doorstep simply because they have little influence in Congress.

Thank You

Michael Lewis